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GENEVA FOR AMBASSADOR SHERER

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES TALKS

REF: STATE 056474 AND SUBSEQUENT LETTER

1. WE ARE CONCERNED THAT ANY ATTEMPT TO AVOID TEXTUAL
REFERENCE IN EXCHANGES AGREEMENT TO IMPLEMENTING LETTERS
WOULD BLOCK AGREEMENT. QUESTION OF CZECHS' PROPOSING
LANGUAGE (PARA 5 REFTEL) IS ACADEMIC. TWO CZECH
DRAFTS CONTAIN EXPLICIT LANGUAGE COVERING IMPLEMENTATION.
AS WE HAVE REPORTED (PERHAPS IN INSUFFICIENT DETAIL) THIS
HAS BEEN MAJOR SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION IN TALKS SO FAR,
WITH ZANTOVSKY PRESSING REPEATEDLY FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF
JOINT COMMISSION FOR SCIENTIFIC-TECHNICAL EXCHANGES.
WHILE WE HAVE REJECTED THIS PROPOSAL, WE HAVE--ACTING
ON BASIS OF GUIDANCE IN STATE 224653, NOVEMBER 15 --ALREADY
INDICATED TO CZECHS THAT AGREEMENT MIGHT PROVIDE FOR
EXCHANGE OF LETTERS.

2. WE ANTICIPATE THAT, IN FINAL DISCUSSIONS, CZECHS WILL
ABANDON INSISTENCE ON JOINT COMMISSION. HOWEVER, THEY WILL
DO SO IF SATISFIED THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO GIVE SUBSTANCE
TO GENERAL PROVISIONS OF AGREEMENT VIA IMPLEMENTING
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MECHANISM OF SOME KIND. WE FEAR IT IS BEYOND OUR NEGOTIATING
SKILLS TO CONVINCE CZECHS THAT WE INTEND TO EXCHANGE IMPL-

MENTING LETTERS PERIODICALLY, EVEN THOUGH WE ARE UNWILLING TO SAY SO IN AGREEMENT. AT VERY LEAST, WE MUST OFFER COMMITMENT TO EXCHANGE LETTERS AS ALTERNATIVE TO JOINT COMMISSION. THIS PROVISION WOULD BE IMPORTANT STEP IN OBTAINING ACCEPTANCE OF SINGLE AGREEMENT ON CULTURAL/INFORMATIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC/TECHNICAL EXCHANGES.

3. SINCE TALKS SEEM TO BE MOVING INTO SUBSTANTIVE AREAS, WE MAY NOT BE REQUIRED TO SPEAK FURTHER ON IMPLEMENTATION IN NEAR FUTURE. IN ABSENCE OF INSTRUCTIONS TO CONTRARY, WE WILL CONTINUE TO REJECT JOINT COMMISSION BUT WILL NOT REFUSE FURTHER DISCUSSION OF PROVISION FOR IMPLEMENTING LETTERS.

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